Research Notes for Anne Carlos (1817 - 1897)

Research Overview:

Anne Carlos appears in the records as an Irish woman from County Roscommon whose origins are both geographically specific and genealogically opaque. She is associated consistently with the Strokestown area, yet no contemporary record identifies her parents or places her clearly within a documented Carlos family group. The records return to the same place again and again, and the Carlos surname appears repeatedly in that same setting, but they never state how Anne fits—no parents, no siblings, no explicit ties. Anne is firmly located in a community, but not firmly placed in a family.

Anne's life is known primarily through marriage and motherhood rather than through records of her own birth or early family connections, appearing within a locally concentrated Carlos surname cluster in Roscommon and consistently in parish records tied to her children's baptisms.

Anne Carlos is also the earliest known woman in my direct maternal line. Her mitochondrial DNA is inherited solely from the mother and passes unchanged from generation to generation, without recombination. As a result, her mtDNA represents a continuous biological link between Anne and later descendants, independent of surnames, marriages, or documentary survival. While the records do not identify her parents, her maternal line remains genetically intact, allowing questions about her deeper origins to remain open even where the paper trail ends.

Timeline

1817 - Birth at Roscommon, Ireland.[1]

2 Feb 1845 - Marriage to James Daly (1816 - 1865) at Strokestown, Roscommon, Ireland.[2]

Strokestown Parish, Elphin Diocese - Witnesses: John Sweeney and Catherine Elwood.

1845 - Birth of daughter Mary Daly (1845 - 1911) at Strokestown, Roscommon, Ireland.[3]

1851 - Birth of daughter Sarah "Sally" Daly (1851 - 1929) at Strokestown, Roscommon, Ireland.[4]

Dec 1858 - Birth of son Thomas James Daly (1858 -) at Strokestown, Roscommon, Ireland.[5]

May 1860 - Birth of son James Carlos Daly (1860 - 1923) at Roscommon, Ireland.[6]

12 Apr 1861 - Birth of son Joseph Patrick Daly (1861 -) at Strokestown Elphin, Roscommon, Ireland.[7]

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[1] Birth record

[2] "Ireland Marriages, 1619-1898", database, *FamilySearch* (https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:FG6W-KF9: 6 February 2020), Annam Carlos in entry for Jacobum Daly, 1845.

[3] "Ireland Civil Registration, 1845-1913", , *FamilySearch* (https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:QGM8-TTWQ: Mon Mar 04 16:41:13 UTC 2024), Entry for James Daly and Mary Daly, 17 Mar 1865.

[4] Birth of daughter Sarah "Sally" Daly

[5] "Ireland Civil Registration, 1845-1913", , *FamilySearch* (https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:QGM8-TTWQ: Mon Mar 04 16:41:13 UTC 2024), Entry for James Daly and Mary Daly, 17 Mar 1865.

[6] "Find a Grave Index," database, *FamilySearch* (https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:QVKK-FQRW: 12 May 2022), James Carlos Daly, ; Burial, Hillside, Cook, Illinois, United States of America, Mount Carmel Catholic Cemetery; citing record ID 49855553, *Find a Grave*, http://www.findagrave.com.

[7] "Ireland Births and Baptisms, 1620-1881", , *FamilySearch* (https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:F5XW-6VF: 5 February 2020), Josephum Patritium Daly, 1861.

1862 - Birth of daughter Anna T "Ann" Daly (1862 - 1928) at Roscommon, Ireland.[8]

1863 - Birth of daughter Bridget "Bee" Daly (1863 - 1941) at Strokestown, Roscommon, Ireland.[9]

17 Mar 1865 - Death of father James Daly (1816 - 1865) at Doon, Killukin Parish, Roscommon, Ireland.[10]

10 Apr 1897 - Death at Doon, Strokestown, Roscommon, Ireland.[11]

[8] "Illinois Deaths and Stillbirths, 1916-1947", , *FamilySearch* (https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:N341-FZ5: Thu Mar 07 06:50:51 UTC 2024), Entry for Anna Daly and James Daly, 20 Feb 1928.

[9] Birth of daughter Bridget "Bee" Daly

[10] Ireland Civil Registration Deaths Index, 1864-1958

[11] Ireland, Civil Registration Deaths Index, 1864-1958, Anne Daly

Appendix:

Every email in this folder is from Ursula Kenney, as we share James Daly and Anne Carlos as direct ancestors.

A. Newspaper notices and announcements involving the Carlos surname from the Strokestown area.

Ursula shared several newspaper notices and announcements involving the Carlos surname from the Strokestown area. These items have been transcribed in full. No documentary evidence currently links the individuals named below to Anne Carlos or her immediate family, but the materials establish the continued presence, social standing, and clustering of the Carlos surname in and around Strokestown across the twentieth century.

1. McLoughlin death notice naming Sheelah Carlos (1988)
A death notice for Very Reverend Canon Desmond McLoughlin of Strokestown, dated August 2, 1988, lists among his surviving sisters Sheelah Carlos. The notice places a Carlos woman within a family associated with the Catholic clergy in the Strokestown area and identifies burial at St. Coman's Cemetery, Roscommon.
(*FG 274651735*)

"McLoughlin (Strokestown) - August 2, 1988 (suddenly), Very Reverend Canon Desmond, P.P., V.F.; very deeply regretted by his sorrowing sisters Maureen O.P., Sheelah Carlos, and Joan O.P., sister-in-law, nephew, nieces, and his housekeeper Mrs. Young, the Bishop and priests of the Diocese of Elphin, his parishioners, relatives, and friends. R.I.P. Concelebrated Mass of the Resurrection tomorrow (Friday) at 2 o'c. The funeral will be immediately afterward at the family burial grounds at St. Coman's Cemetery, Roscommon. [see FG 274651735]"

2. Engagement announcement involving John Carlos of Bawn Street (1980)

An engagement announcement published in the *Irish Times* on November 22, 1980, records the engagement of Mr. John Carlos, B.C.L., Solicitor, son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael D. Carlos of Bawn Street, Strokestown, to Miss Siobhan Cox, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Austin Cox of Church View House, Strokestown.

This notice confirms:

- the Carlos surname at **Bawn Street, Strokestown**;
- the presence of multiple Carlos households in the town; and
- intermarriage between the Carlos and Cox families within the same local community.

"Mr. John Carlos B.C.L., Solicitor
and Miss Siobhan Cox

Mr. and Mrs. Austin Cox, Church View House, Strokestown, Co. Roscommon, have the pleasure of announcing the engagement of their daughter, Siobhan, to John, son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael D. Carlos, of Bawn Street, Strokestown, Co. Roscommon.

Nov 22, 1980, in the Irish Times"

3. Death of Mrs. Josephine Carlos of Dooneen, Ballinameen (1985)

A notice published in the *Leitrim Observer* on January 19, 1985, reports the death of Mrs. Josephine Carlos at Roscommon County Hospital. She was described as a member of an "old-established local farming family" and was predeceased by her husband, Edward Carlos. She served on Roscommon County Council and related committees. She was survived by a son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. William Carlos of Dooneen. This item places the Carlos surname within a politically active and established rural family in the broader Roscommon area.

"Mrs. Josephine Carlos

Regret is expressed at the death in the Roscommon Co. Hospital of Mrs. Josephine Carlos, Dooneen, Ballinameen. The deceased, who was a respected member of an old-established local framing family, was pre-deceased by her husband, Mr. Edward Carlos, a former long the dole queue and provided him with honorable work. Perhaps in the future weeks, on a review of his financial position, in a more favorable light, the aforesaid Minister will see his way to help a few more young people from the well-populated Boyle area.

She served on the Roscommon County Council and allied committees. A Mass of the Resurrection for her repose was offered in St. Attracta's Parish

Church, Ballinameen, and the funeral took place in the local Cemetery. The late Mrs. Carlos is survived by a son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. William Carlos, Dooneeen.

Leitrim Observer
Saturday January 19, 1985
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"Mr. J.J. Carlos

4. Death notice and biographical summary of Mr. J.J. Carlos of Bawn Street

A detailed obituary for Mr. J.J. Carlos, of Bawn Street, Strokestown, describes him as a prominent figure in Irish pedigree cattle breeding. He was active in agricultural societies from at least 1906 and held leadership roles in multiple regional organizations. He was the father of:

Mr. William E. Carlos, Chief Livestock Officer for the Department of Agriculture;
Mr. Michael D. Carlos, solicitor, Strokestown;
Mr. Joseph Carlos, Birmingham;
and brother of Miss Ida Carlos. He died at age 83. This notice documents a well-established Carlos family centered on Bawn Street with national prominence in agriculture.

Mr. J.J. Carlos, Bawn St., Strokestown, C. Roscommon, who has died, was among the best-known personalities in Irish pedigree cattle breeding circles.

Many of the cattle he bred were prize winners at shows all over the country. He was a prominent exhibitor at the Bull Show, the Spring Show in Dublin, and provincial shows. He bred the famous "Strokestown Josephine," one of the best Shorthorn cows ever bred in Ireland. He was the father of Mr. William E. Carlos, the present Chief Livestock Officer for the Department of Agriculture.

Mr. Carlos had been President of the Strokestown Agricultural Show, with which he was associated since 1906, for many years. He was also associated with the Midland and West of Ireland Livestock Society, of which he was a former president, and the Livestock Society of which he was a former president, and a member of the Roscommon Committee of Agriculture, of which he was a former vice-chairman. He was 83.

His sons also survive him, Mr. Michael D. Carlos, solicitor, Strokestown; Mr. Joseph Carlos, Birmingham, and his sister Miss Ida Carlos."

5. Death notice for Martin Carlos of Bawn Street (1968)

A death notice dated October 18, 1968, records the death of Martin Carlos, of Bawn Street, Strokestown, at the Sacred Heart Home, Roscommon. Burial took place at Lissonuffy Cemetery. This notice further confirms the Carlos presence at Bawn Street across multiple decades.

"Carlos (Strokestown) - Oct. 18, 1968, at the Sacred Heart Home, Roscommon, Martin Carlos, Bawn St.; deeply regretted. R.I.P. Remains will be removed to Strokestown Church at 5:30 o'c this (Saturday) evening. Requiem High Mass at 11 o'c. Monday, Funeral immediately afterward to Lissonuffy Cemetery."

Summary of Relevance

Taken together, these notices demonstrate:

- a persistent Carlos presence in Strokestown, particularly at Bawn Street;
- Repeated appearance of the surname across religious, legal, agricultural, and civic contexts;
- multi-generational continuity of the Carlos surname in Roscommon into the late twentieth century.

At present, these items establish geographic and social context, not lineage. They do not identify parental links, sibling relationships, or direct descent connecting any of these individuals to Anne Carlos. Their value lies in documenting the longevity, concentration, and local integration of the Carlos surname in the same area where Anne Carlos appears in nineteenth-century records.

B. Carlos Surname Reference in Pawtucket, Rhode Island

A Find a Grave memorial at St. Francis Cemetery, Pawtucket, Rhode Island, lists multiple individuals with the Carlos surname. Pawtucket is also the place where Annie Connor Cadden lived. No documentary evidence currently links the Pawtucket Carlos individuals to Annie Cadden or to the Carlos families of Roscommon.

The significance of this observation lies in the shared surname and shared location, which raises the possibility of a connection but does not establish one. At present, the relationship—if any—between the Pawtucket Carlos individuals and Annie Connor Cadden remains unproven.

C. Correspondence with Ursula Regarding Carlos Origins

Ursula noted ongoing difficulty in identifying the specific townland associated with Anne Carlos. She observed that baptismal sponsors can sometimes indicate kinship or shared place of origin, particularly when sponsors and parents come from the same local area.

Ursula identified Thomas Carlos, son of Anne Carlos and James Daly, as having a baptismal sponsor with the surname Sweeney. She further observed that Griffith's Valuation lists Patrick Carlos and a Sweeney household living side by side in the townland of Curraghduffy. She suggested that the proximity of these households may be relevant and warrants further investigation.

At present, no documentary evidence links the Sweeney sponsor directly to Anne Carlos or establishes Curraghduffy as Anne's townland. The observation remains a possible contextual clue rather than a proven connection.

Research Implication

Anne Carlos presents a difficult research problem due to the absence of parental identification and the limits of surviving parish records. Progress may depend on the availability and quality of DNA matches that could help distinguish among Carlos families in the Roscommon area.

D. Correspondence Regarding DNA, Daly Research, and Sweeney/Carlos Connections

In correspondence with Ursula, it was noted that Ursula and the researcher appear to share a distant DNA connection, though the match is extremely small. No DNA matches currently connect tested individuals to the Carlos or Daly lines discussed here. The absence of identifiable DNA matches is consistent with the expected loss of detectable shared DNA across multiple generations.

Ursula and the researcher successfully collaborated to reconstruct the Daly family in Ireland, drawing on extensive documentary research. That work established a plausible Daly family structure and made it easier to recognize relevant DNA matches connected to the Daly line, even where direct Carlos connections remain unclear.

Ursula raised the name Marie Sweeney, whose ancestors include Thomas Daly and Bridget Carlos. This correspondence was prompted by questions about whether the Sweeney family, the Daly family, and individuals bearing the Carlos surname might intersect. No evidence currently establishes a documented or genetic connection among these families beyond shared surnames and geographic proximity.

An additional surname, James Fitzgerald, was mentioned in the correspondence. His location and relevance were not specified in the available material.

At present, the relationship—if any—between the Daly, Carlos, and Sweeney families remains unresolved. The correspondence establishes:

- unsuccessful attempts to identify confirming DNA matches;
- successful reconstruction of the Daly family in Ireland;
- the presence of Carlos and Sweeney surnames in contexts potentially relevant to Anne Carlos; and
- continued uncertainty regarding how, or whether, these families intersect.

E. DNA Match Connecting Daly, Carlos, and Sweeney Lines

Ursula later reported a DNA match connecting her to Marie Sweeney, identified as a descendant of Thomas Daly and Bridget Carlos. This match provides genetic support for a connection between the Daly and Carlos families discussed previously.

Ursula outlined the following lineage based on that connection:

- Thomas Daly and Bridget Carlos had a daughter, Mary Daly.
- Mary Daly married Richard Law.
- Their daughter Teresa Law (a twin) married Wallace.
- Ursula is DNA-matched to Nancy Callahan, identified as Teresa Law Wallace’s granddaughter.

This DNA match establishes a documented genetic link among descendants of Thomas Daly and Bridget Carlos, supporting the identification of Bridget Carlos as part of the same Carlos family network under discussion. The reference to Baltimore aligns with other known geographic connections in this extended family group.

F. Notes from Connie Knox on how to do research notes

Start with a summary of the family line you're researching, including your goals. For instance, explain your research into the Rook/Roach family and your current working hypothesis, such as the possible connection between the surname "Rook" and an earlier family name.

Current State of Research: Summarize what you already know, particularly highlighting the complexities of your oldest ancestors and any gaps in the available documentation. For example, discuss the lack of records in an Irish county and how you use DNA matches to supplement this gap.

Key Research Questions: Frame your larger, more analytical questions. Beyond specific document searches, identify overarching goals like "Prove how these four individuals are brothers using both documentary and DNA evidence." This will help maintain focus on both direct and indirect forms of evidence.